Funds allocated/Utilised under IRDP

2693. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI :
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the funds allocated and released by Central Government during the current financial year so far and whether the State Governments have also provided their proportionate share to the programme; if not, the States which have not provided their share and the reasons for the same;

(b) the State-wise distribution of IRDP allocations in 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95 and the percentage of utilisation;

(c) whether Government have received any reports of diversion of IRDP funds to any other purpose by the States and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government have come across reports of leakage of funds and impropier selection of beneficiaries and if so, what remedial measures have been taken in the regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL) : (a) During 1994-95 the total allocation for IRDP is Rs. 1098.22 crores. Out of this Central Government has already released. Rs. 268.78 crores upto October, 1994. Against this State Governments have released Rs. 198.19 crores. The major states which have not provided their share of matching funds are Assam, Bihar, Jammu & Kashmir, Maharashtra, Orissa and West Bengal.

(b) State-wise distribution of IRDP Allocation and its utilisation since 1990-91 and upto 1994-95 given in the Annexure-I [*See* Appendix 172, Annexure 65].

(c) It has been observed that in some cases IRDP funds were spent on other schemes deposited in treasury accounts/civil deposits, post office saving accounts etc.

(d) The CAG report has also pointed out some cases involving misutilisation of assistance and leakage of funds, initiatives taken to prevent this include greater rigour in inspection of the programme through Area Officer's scheme, detailed instructions to State Governments regarding proper utilisation of funds, penal action against erring officer etc. The recent interim report of the Expert Committee on IRDP set up by RBI has recommended back ending of subsidy to minimise leakages and malpractices prevalent under the current system of front end subsidy. In the concurrent evaluation survey (1989) it was pointed out that 16% of ineligible families were assisted at all India level. The Government has taken several steps since then to improve the selection procedure. A house to house survey was initiated in November, 1991 to identify families living Below Poverty Line (BPL). In order to impart greater transprancy and objectivity to the selection of the beneciaries, the BPL list has to have the approval of Gram Sabhas. The Expert Committee of RBI on IRDP has also recommended greater role of panchayats in proper identification and selection of BPL families.

Misuse of Funds by Rajkot Urban Development Authority

2694. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have sanctioned funds for the construction of roads, lavatories and provide drinking water facilities through pipeline in rural areas of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof.

(c) whether it is a fact that the Rajkot Urban Development Authority (R.U.D.A) have not utilised the funds for the purpose, particularly in Rajya Gram Panchayat and misused JRY funds; and

(d) if so, the action taken/to be taken against R.U.D.A.'s Chairman ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL) : (a) and (b) Although no separate funds are released by the Ministry of Rural Development

for construction of rural roads and lavatories, these items of works are permissible under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) and the concerned implementing agencies can take up the same out of their share of JYY funds. Similarly, construction of rural roads is also permitted under Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS). Further, funds are provided for Rural Water Supply schemes of handpumps, piped water scheme etc.

(c) and (d) The funds under JRY and EAS are made available to the concerned District Rural Development Agencies DRDAs and not to the Urban Development Authority. No misuse of JRY fund by the DRDA of any village panchayat of Rajkot District has been reported.

Committee to monitor funds allocated for Rural/Tribal Development in M.P.

2695. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether any committee has been constituted by the Union Government to properly monitor utilisation of amounts allocated under Rural and Tribal Development programme in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof district-wise; and

(c) the action/measures taken so far by the Committee ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI APTEL) : (a) to (c) The physical and financial progress of various Rural Development Programmes in all States including Madhya Pradesh are constantly monitored through various reports and returns received from the State Governments. Besides, the State Headquarters and district, sub-divisions and block level officers also closely monitor all aspects of the programme through visits to worksites as per the prescribed inspection schedule. State level coordination Committees (SLCCs) for Rural Development also monitor the progress of implementation of programmes like Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) Jawahar Rojgar Yojana (JRY) alongwith other schemes. A representative from the Ministry of Rural Development also participates in the SLCC meetings. In addition the Government of India periodically convenes meetings with the State Secretariat and the Project Directors of District Rural Development Agencies/Zila Parishads (DRDA/ZPs) to review the programme with a view to effecting improvements in the quality of implementation. The Ministry of Rural Development have also introduced a system of area officers during the year 1993 with a view to effectively monitoring the various programmes of Rural Development including JRY. Under this scheme, senior officers at the level of Deputy Secretary and above have been allocated one or two State(s) each. They are required to visit the State(s) allotted to them and give a feedback on the implementation of rural development programmes. To give greater attention to the State with higher proportion of Rural poor and unemployed, the Area Officers Scheme has further been strengthened w.e.f. 1-1-94 by including officers from the Department of Programme Implementation, Department of Wastelands Devetopment and the Planning Commission also in the various teams of Area Officers.

ग्रामीण भूमि से संबंधित रिकार्डों का कम्प्यूटरीकरण

2696. **श्री कनकसिंह मोहनसिंह मंगरोला : चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह :**

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार सम्पूर्ण देश की समस्त ग्रामीण भूमि के रिकार्ड को कम्प्यूटरीकृत करने पर विचार कर रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) इस कार्य के कब तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है ?

ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय (ग्रामीण विकास विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर) : (क) से (ग) 1988-89 के दौरान राज्यों को शत प्रतिशत सहायता देकर, आठ राज्यों में प्रत्येक के एक-एक जिले में एक प्रायोगिक परियोजना